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## Northfield Tax Rate Is Sufficiently High To Create Hardship

With the naming of the local tax rate of \$37.00 per thousand of valuation by our local assessors last week and first announced by the Press in last Friday's issue, the taxpayers took the news, some with amazement and some with the satisfaction that it was not higher. Predicated on the willingness to spend and appropriate money at the last annual town meeting, this paper then suggested that a rate of \$40.00 was inevitable, but funds which came from the state in an unexpected manner to reduce taxation, has now brought the rate to \$37 which thus far ranks high among the tax rates of the towns in the county. It is said that the reduction of assessments on farms and timberlands due to damages by the floods and the hurricane has helped to swell the rate. The tax exemption of the hostel property has also aided, but the big contributing item to higher tax rates is the willingness to vote monies by the taxpayers themselves at the various meetings of the town voters, without counting the cost. Expenditures necessitated by the improvements and repairs at the high school and other school buildings have been unusual this year. Anyway the tax rate in Northfield is \$37 and we must pay. The tax collector will soon have the bills on the way through the mail.

The tax rates of various cities and towns are now being announced, and it will be of interest to compare them with our own. The rate for Greenfield will be \$28.80, the same as last year. Amherst's rate will be \$30.80 the same as last year, caused by a reduction through a gift of \$5000 from Amherst college. Athol's tax rate, 40 cents less than last year is \$39.40. Northampton's tax rate is \$33.30 an increase of \$2.30. Easthampton's rate is \$40. Deerfield has a rate of \$24.60, 40 cents less than last year. Warwick tax rate will be \$38, the same as last. Charlemont announces \$32.60 or \$3.40 less than last. Whatley \$25 which is \$2.40 less. Colrain \$38 or \$1.40 less than last. Montague \$36.20 which is \$3.80 higher than last year. Sunderland announces a rate of \$34 which is an increase of \$4. Erving tax rate will be \$27 the same as last. The Orange tax will be \$42, up \$2. The rate for Ashfield will be \$32, an increase of \$6.50. Rowe will have a rate of \$28, up \$1.00. Leverett will have a rate of \$34, a decrease of \$4.00 from last year. Conway announces its rate as \$28, a decrease of \$2.00. Shelburne's rate will be \$25, an increase of \$2.00. The Bernardston rate has been fixed at \$24 for this year a reduction of \$3.80. Here is the list for county towns whose tax rate is announced:

Greenfield	\$28.80
Deerfield	\$24.60
Warwick	\$38.00
Charlemont	\$32.60
Whatley	\$25.00
Colrain	\$38.00
Montague	\$36.20
Sunderland	\$34.00
Erving	\$27.00
Orange	\$42.00
Ashfield	\$32.00
Rowe	\$28.00
Leverett	\$34.00
Conway	\$28.00
Shelburne	\$25.00
Bernardston	\$24.00
NORTHFIELD	\$37.00

## GOP Women To Meet

Members of the executive committee of the Franklin county Womens Republic club met with Mrs. James A. Gunn at her home in Turners Falls on Monday and perfected arrangements for a meeting to be held in the Montague town hall on Friday, Sept. 22 with both afternoon and evening sessions. Mrs. William G. Dwight of Holyoke will be the speaker in the afternoon and Mrs. Wilbur P. Davis of Worcester will speak in the evening. Mrs. Davis is the field secretary of the state committee. A cordial invitation is extended to all women to attend.

## The Health Council

The Northfield Health Council met Monday evening at the town hall. Various committees made reports and the activities for the coming year were discussed. A nominating committee consisting of Mrs. Ray Thompson, Mrs. Fred Holton and Miss Mary Dalton will report at the next meeting and officers will be elected. Members present were Miss Anne Mattoon, Mrs. Ross Spencer, Mrs. Fred Holton, Miss Mary Dalton, Miss Euphrasia Purrington, Mrs. Carroll Miller and Mrs. William P. Stanley.

## Public Schools Open Last Monday Morning Total of 335 Pupils

The deferred opening of the public schools of this town took place last Monday morning and all teachers were ready to proceed with their classes for study. The enrollment on the opening day was as follows: High school, 86; Center school, 123; East, 66;



Principal Cobb of the High School

West, 22; No. 3, 19; and the Farms school 17. It is expected that additional registrations will be added during the week. There are a total of 335 pupils in the schools of Northfield.

All the various school buildings are in excellent condition. At West school the exterior of the buildings has been painted as well as the lower floor. At East school the hallways and entrance porch has been repainted. At Center school, two rooms on the second floor have been redecorated and at all schools minor repairs and improvements have been made to meet the requirements of the Dept. of Public Safety. The high school is virtually a new modernized building with new heating plant, ventilating arrangements, sanitary toilets, shower baths, a fully equipped domestic science room, renewed and redecorated class rooms and much new equipment. New floors and stair treads have been added as well as a fire escape on the rear. The entire structure has been strengthened by brick walls, iron girders and substantial supports giving the building added substantial worth. When a representative of the Press called at the high school yesterday, between classes, he found all work proceeding in regular order and was greeted by the Supt. of schools L. W. Robbins and Principal Richard A. Cobb. Both expressed themselves as very much pleased with the facilities of the high school and that it was a needed job well done. Pupils at the high school have been afforded every opportunity by the taxpayers in securing the best advantages for hard study.

## The Tax Problem Topic of Conference

The fourth annual conference on current governmental problems will be considered at the session of the conference to be held at the Mass. State College in Amherst on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 3 and 4. All citizens of Western Massachusetts and town officials who are concerned about the taxing problem are invited to attend.

The program announced by Prof. Charles J. Rohr, State College economist in charge of the conference, will include addresses by well known authorities from several New England states. Among subjects to be discussed are the historical development of the Massachusetts tax system, the problem of taxation in the Bay State, sources of state and local revenue, problems of assessment and tax rates, tax collection and exemption, and tax delinquency and a review of the tax legislation of the 1939 General Court.

The conference will feature a panel discussion on taxation of special groups, the motorist, the farmer, the laborer, the industrialist, and the consumer. Round table sessions will cover the income tax, the sales tax, and the general property tax.

## Fortnightly Season Provides A Program Of Real Interest

With the opening of the Fortnightly season on Friday, Oct. 6, in Alexander Hall at 3 o'clock, there will be inaugurated a schedule of gatherings of much interest to the membership. The program committee which consists of Miss Mercy A. Brann, chairman, Mrs. Robert McCastline, Mrs. J. V. McNeil, Miss Anne Mattoon, Mrs. Grove Deming and Mrs. Howard Briggs, have finished their work and the published booklet will reach members this week of the various events. At the first meeting mentioned, Prof. and Mrs. H. H. Morse, who have recently returned from a prolonged stay in Europe will speak of their experiences. Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Stanley will be the tea hostesses. On Wednesday evening, Oct. 18, at the town hall will be a reception to the guests of the State Federation of Womens clubs, which will be holding their fall session in Northfield. There will be a talk on sculpture by Randolph Johnson. Music will be by Miss Locke and Miss Marquet. The hostesses will be Mrs. Wright, Miss Dalton, Mrs. Shattuck and Mrs. Dunnell. On Thursday, Oct. 19 will be in session the fall meeting of the Federation at the auditorium. On Saturday, Nov. 4 will be held the annual luncheon at the Northfield hotel, when Miss Christine Boyd will speak on the "romance of bells" and make a display of her collection. Hostesses will be the executive board. Nov. 17 at Alexander hall 3 o'clock, W. E. D. Ward will speak on "a community center and social problems." Tea hostesses are Mrs. Kendrick, Mrs. Jack and Mrs. Tomkins. Dec. 1, William H. Ledgard will speak on "the theatre." Tea hostesses are Mrs. Lazelle, Mrs. Deming and Mrs. Bodley. Dec. 15 will be guest night with an entertainment by Dr. Raymond Kimmonth, magician. Hostesses are Mrs. Holden, Mrs. Thompson, Miss Gibson and Miss Pearson. The first meeting of the new year will be Jan. 5. A hobby meeting in charge of Miss Maud Hamilton, Miss Merriam and Miss Braley. Tea hostesses are Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Billings and Mrs. Davis. Jan. 19 Arthur Tozzer will speak on current books. Tea hostesses are Mrs. Pefferlee, Mrs. Field and Miss Marion Holton. Feb. 2 will be a musicale with time and place to be announced. Tea hostesses are Mrs. Spencer, Mrs. Dean and Mrs. Livingston. March 1 Prof. Frank P. Rand will speak on "Dorothy Good Friday" illustrated with pictures. Tea hostesses are Mrs. Powell, Mrs. Marshall and Miss Campbell. On March 15 at a time and place to be announced, a style show will be given in charge of a committee, Miss Mattoon, chairman. April 5 Marion Hertha Clark will speak on "radio-off the record" and the tea hostesses are Mrs. McCastline, Mrs. McNeil and Miss Brann. The annual meeting and food sale will be on Friday, April 26, the final meeting of the season.

## Red Cross May Start Work On War Relief

Offers of assistance through the International Red Cross has gone forth from the American Red Cross to the Red Cross societies of other nations, but thus far only Poland has asked for aid. \$50,000 has been appropriated for Poland out of the national funds to meet the immediate need of the Polish Red Cross. \$10,000 was sent to Ambassador Kennedy in London for the relief of stranded American survivors of the Athenia disaster. Officials decided against hospital units at this time on the theory that Red Cross societies and army sanitary corps abroad are better organized and staffed than they were in 1914.

Chapters of the Red Cross in 21 cities have enrolled to make surgical dressings for civilian victims and hospitals in European war zones. As yet the Franklin county chapter has made no appeal for co-operation, but will do so as soon as the need becomes necessary.

## WCTU Conventions

The 66th annual convention of the Mass. Womens Christian Temperance Union will be held at Northampton on Oct. 17, 18, and 19 in the First Congregational church. It is expected that several members of the local WCTU will be in attendance. The National convention will meet in Rochester, N. Y. on Sept. 28 and Oct. 1, 2, 3. On the morning of Sept. 28 a pilgrimage will take place to the birthplace of Frances E. Willard at Churchville, N. Y.

## THE "PRESS" COOKING SCHOOL

was well attended  
yesterday afternoon

A larger number of  
women will attend  
this Friday afternoon  
at two o'clock

YOU ARE INVITED  
DON'T MISS IT

## Ambitious Youth Makes A Success

"Nothing ventured, nothing gained" are words, often heard by ambitious men and women, who have won success in the path of business experience. In a sense these words fired the ambition of a young Northfield lad, who set up a bicycle renting agency on the front lawn at his home and who now at the close of the season, can measure his success in counting "the cash." We refer to Junior Ross L. Spencer. His "stock in trade" consisted of a dozen bikes for which there was a steady demand in rental and from which several selections were sold. Included in his stock, were several of the light weight English bikes for which a steady demand exists from hostellers. Young Ross has proven himself a bright prospect for future business success and now as he, soon goes back to his studies at Bement school, he can regale his classmates of his business career. He has banked his "nest egg" for this summer and looks forward to another season of business activity. When asked by an interested citizen, how he liked his experience, he simply replied, "great." This young mans experience in this town again proves, how any ambitious fellow, can create his niche in the commercial world and by filling it, win success and fortune.

## Mrs. Julia A. Newton

Mrs. Julia Angeline Newton, passed away in Vernon, early Tuesday morning, Sept. 12, after an illness of several months at the age of 91 years and 11 months. She was the oldest of seven children, and the daughter of Jonas G. and Lucy Lee Weatherhead and was born in Vernon, Oct. 18, 1847. She was educated in the local schools and at Glenwood seminary in West Brattleboro. She became a teacher in the public schools and served until her marriage to Charles H. Newton of Vernon in 1870. He died in 1910. They settled on a farm in Vernon and conducted it in a successful manner. Mrs. Newton was a member of the Vernon Unitarian church, of Brattleboro Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, Northfield Chapter Order of the Eastern Star and the Vernon Grange, of which she was the oldest living member and received a gold medal through the National Grange at the recent 50th anniversary of the Vernon Grange. For 20 years she was superintendent of the Sunday school. She was active and much interested in all civic and social work and had many friends. A pleasing personality and a noble character was hers.

Surviving are two sons, Frank H. Newton of Akron, O. and Clarence C. Newton of Los Angeles, Calif., also two sisters, Mrs. Harriet Thomas of Brattleboro and Mrs. Nellie M. Wood of this town. There are two grandchildren.

The funeral will be held this Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Vernon church with Rev. D. B. F. Hoyt, pastor of All Souls Unitarian church of Brattleboro, officiating assisted by Rev. Mary Andrews Conner of the local Unitarian church. Burial will be in the family plot in Tyler cemetery.

## Plan An Auction

The ways and means committee of the Fortnightly plans to hold a public auction early in October at the town hall. Members of the community are invited to co-operate by collecting household articles, clothing, furniture, tools, dishes, books, etc. Arrangements will be made for these to be called for by the committee. For further information call Mrs. Joseph Field at 267 or Mrs. Ray Thompson 131.

## The Seminary Opens With 540 Students This Week Tuesday

Northfield seminary began its 60th anniversary year on Tuesday when 540 girls registered from 21 states plus Porto Rico, the Philippines and Alaska as well as eleven foreign countries. More than half of the student body comes from New York, Massachusetts and Connecticut. New Jersey, New Hampshire, Vermont, Pennsylvania and Rhode Island have the next largest representation.

Town girls at the seminary this year include Barbara Addison, June Bolton, Dora Ann Davis, Lillian Dawe, Arline Dunnell, Helen Durgin, Emily Foster, Barbara Hunt, Miriam Potts, Janet Kehl, Beverly Potts, Betty Jean Purrington, Carolyn Rikert, Ruth Rikert, Gloria Savcheff, Helen Savcheff, Shirley Severance, Sybil Severance, Ruth Spaulding, Polly Spencer and Marie Young. Four girls from Mt. Hermon, Camilla Pyper and Beulah Downs also registered on Tuesday.

Classes began on Wednesday morning and the first chapel service was held in Russell Sage chapel with Miss Mira B. Wilson welcoming the students to the school.

East Northfield presented many attractive scenes with the opening of Northfield seminary. The girls arrived by train, special busses and private cars. Many parents accompanied their daughters here and saw them housed in their dormitories. The Northfield hotel, local inns and private homes accommodated the visitors.

## Hinsdale Fails To Get School Project

There seemed to be an apparent need for a new high school building in Hinsdale, and proposition to secure federal aid in its erection came before the town meeting in March 1937, when it was voted down. However the committee went on with their effort and made an application for funds amounting to \$67,500 toward a \$150,000 building and promised if successful to call a special town meeting for its consideration. Now the public works administration announces that it has no money to co-operate in the effort, even if the town voted actual construction. Evidently the matter of a new high school building in Hinsdale is a dead issue for some time to come.

## Our Polish Residents Pray For Homeland

Residents of Northfield of Polish descent constitute a large proportion of our population and they are mainly engaged in farming pursuits, occupying many of our large farms. They are industrious and prosperous and contribute to the progress and well being of the town. Some still remain citizens of Poland, but the great number have become naturalized and are loyal Americans. The terrific struggle which is going on in Poland has riveted their attention and called forth their prayers, for a national existence for the Polish peoples. There is very little the Polish people can do for their homeland, but when called upon to respond to an appeal for help and assistance, the Polish people of Northfield are ready to lend their support.

## Resigns Pastorate

Mrs. Mabel R. Makepeace, of this town, who for the past seven years has served the Grace Methodist church of Turners Falls in its pastoral work, and who succeeded her husband, the late Rev. George Makepeace, as pastor, has resigned owing to poor health. The executive committee of the church has announced the appointment of Rev. Dr. David B. Tomkins of Winchester road, this town, to assume the pastoral work and he has accepted. Mr. Tomkins supplied the pulpit during the summer, during a leave of absence which was granted Mrs. Makepeace.

## Announce Marriage

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Geraldine Minshaw of San Diego, Calif., and Robert L. Carr, son of George W. Carr of this town, at San Diego on Saturday, Sept. 2. Mr. Carr was educated in the schools here and at an aeronautical school in St. Louis, after which he removed to California to accept a position in an airplane industry. Cards announcing the wedding were received by many of his friends here.

## Reinald Werrenrath At The Auditorium In Seminary Course

The well-known baritone, Reinald Werrenrath, will present a concert and lecture in the Northfield auditorium on Saturday evening, Sept. 23 at 8 o'clock. His program is entitled The Story of American Music and Mr. Werrenrath will relate anecdotes



about many famous musicians as well as sing some of their best-loved songs. Northfield seminary brings Mr. Werrenrath to Northfield to provide the first entertainment in the series for the present school year. The public is invited to join the seminary students in hearing this program and tickets may be obtained at Kenarden hall.

## District Deputy Here With Harmony Lodge

District Deputy Grand Master William Hunter of Shelburne Falls with his suite will visit Harmony Lodge of Masons this Friday evening in the Masonic hall on Parker avenue. It will be the first official visit in the 14th district. A banquet will be served by the adies of Northfield chapter O. E. S. at 50 cents per plate. The speaker for the evening will be Rev. William J. Morgan of Turners Falls.

## Back From Europe

Prof. and Mrs. H. H. Morse of Highland avenue, who have been for many months abroad, returned from war torn Europe on the S. S. Manhattan last week end to New York and now are safe at home, filled with many experiences to relate to their anxious and concerned friends and neighbors. Prof. Morse was on a leave from his teaching at Mount Hermon school and left Northfield last February. They spent much time in Italy and traveled about the continent. With the declaration of war and the cancelling of sailings they found themselves among the large number of Americans eager for passage home. A difficult effort faced them but at LaHave they were stowed away in temporary quarters on the steamship Manhattan of the U. S. Lines, sharing the happiness with others that were also anxious to get back to America. They are grateful for a safe return and we in Northfield are happy to have them back with us.

## Hostelers Return

Three AYH sponsored groups landed at New York last week Wednesday aboard the Holland America liner Veendam, after a 12-day crossing. The groups embarked at Rotterdam, Boulogne-sur-Mere, and Southampton. Many of the 200 extra passengers aboard, out of necessity, slept in the lounges, hallways, and bath rooms of the liner. Other than this doubling up, the group leaders reported no inconvenience or untoward anxiety on the part of the passengers. Two other groups arrived Saturday, under similar circumstances.

Mrs. Monroe Smith, Miss Faith Owers and Robert Weir of the hostel staff arrived Wednesday of this week in New York aboard the S. S. Statendam, following a four weeks hosting trip in England.

## Civil Service Exam

An examination for machinist, 81 cents to \$1.01 an hour, for filling vacancies at Watervliet arsenal has been called for. Last day for filing applications is Oct. 10. For particulars apply any first class office or Examiners, Watervliet Arsenal, New York.

## Hermion School Opens With Full Attendance New Faculty Additions

The 59th annual opening of Mount Hermon school was observed on Monday with the arrival of 261 new students. The student body now represent 22 states and 6 foreign countries. On Tuesday 304 former students returned, making a total of 666 boys. This is the fifth year of the administration of Dr. David R. Porter, headmaster.

Meetings were held Monday evening for the new students in Camp hall, where some of the customs and traditions of the school were outlined by the headmaster and members of the executive committee. Reception of a social nature followed. Tuesday morning examinations in English were held in the gymnasium. Registration for former students took place also on Tuesday.

Examinations of various kinds for all students were given Wednesday, and on Thursday morning regular classes began.

Announcement was made that Dr. Glover Johnson will be acting pastor of the Mount Hermon church during the first part of this school year. The 40th anniversary of the founding of the church will be celebrated next November.

New faculty members for whom a reception was held Thursday evening, are Alexander Gibson of Philadelphia, French and head of the language department; Harwood Cummings, M. D. of Greenfield; G. Humphrey Hadley of Williams college, '39, English; George R. Hanna, West Swansey, N. H., Dartmouth '39, history and English; Paul F. Wilson, Greenwich, Ct., French; Edwin G. Nixon, '39 at Middlebury in Bible and English; and Miss Velma Crowell, nurse.

Town boys who registered at Mount Hermon are Richard Barrows, Harold Bigelow, Arthur and Richard Bolton, Dean Carmean, Gordon Carr, Courtland Dunklee, Russell Durgin, Norton Field, Carleton Finch, Ralph Forsyth, Sidney Given, Stephen and Robert Hopkins, James Matern, William Marshall, Robert Miller, Jack Polhemus, Fred Stone and Frank Tie. Richard and Robert Birdsall, Kenneth Franz, Fred Pelser, Gordon Pyper, Earle Smith, Richard Stevens and Charles Thompson of Mount Hermon are also enrolled.

## Seminary Graduates Announce Marriage

In the Wellesley college chapel Saturday, Sept. 9 Miss Marjorie Isabelle Greene of Wellesley and Donald Alexander Eaton of Needham were married by the Rev. Edward M. Condit of the Congregational church of Needham. The couple will reside at Needham. The bride was graduated from Wellesley in 1935 and from the Northfield seminary in 1931. Mr. Eaton was graduated from Boston university in 1931.

Miss Miriam Marguerite Ravi Booth of Bennington, Vt. and John Holt Breckenridge of Twin Falls, Idaho, were married in the old First church at Bennington, on Saturday, Sept. 9 by the brides father, Rev. Dr. Vincent Ravi Booth, pastor of the church. The bride is a graduate of Northfield seminary and both she and Mr. Breckenridge are graduates of Swarthmore college.

## Smart - Sargent

Miss Mildred Sargent, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Sargent of Erving and Harold Smart, son of Mrs. Eva Smart of this town, were married at the home of the Rev. W. Stanley Carne on Saturday, Sept. 2. The bride wore blue silk crepe and a corsage of red roses. Her bridesmaid was Miss Jeannette Couto of Erving and best man was John Marshall of Orange. After the ceremony the young couple left for a motor trip through the White Mountains.

## Predicts Big Output

Forecasting daily output of 5,000 Chevrolets for 1940 by Oct. 1, M. E. Coyle, general manager said recently at a press conference in Detroit that "no man can say" how the European situation will affect the forward movement in business. W. E. Holler, general sales manager, who also spoke, said that the company would launch its largest advertising campaign since 1929 to sell the new models.

Paul G. Jordan of the Jordan Motor sales is in Boston on business connected with his automobile agency.



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News - Selected Shorts

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in "THE OLD MAID"  
with George Brent  
News - Leith Stevens & Orch.

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INDIANAPOLIS SPEEDWAY  
Pat O'Brien - John Payne  
News - Specialties

Gene Autry in  
"COLORADO SUNSET"  
Smiley Burnette - June Storey

Sun. - Mon. Sept. 17 - 18  
James Cagney in  
"THE OKLAHOMA KID"  
Humphrey Bogart

Tuesday, Sept. 19  
"WINGS OF THE NAVY"  
George Brent - John Payne

Wed. - Thur. Sept. 20 - 21  
"HOUSE OF FEAR"  
Irene Hervey - Wm. Gargan

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### WEST NORTHFIELD and SOUTH VERNON

Twenty-two pupils from Ver-  
non are attending Brattleboro  
high school.

The Pine school P.-T. A. is  
meeting the first Tuesday after-  
noon of each month instead of  
in the evening. At the first meet-  
ing this year, William Derrig was  
elected president in place of Mrs.  
Martha Emery, who resigned.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Scherlin,  
Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Scherlin and  
Mrs. Florence Needham attended  
the fair at Rutland, Vt. Thursday.  
Mrs. Algot Scherlin is enter-  
taining her sister, Mrs. Leo Sam-  
pson of Danvers, Mass., and her  
niece, Mrs. Flora Rice and son of  
Winchester, N. H.

Visitor: Is there an encyclo-  
pedia in the office?  
Office Boy (politely): No sir,  
but what is it you wish to know?

### Early Autumn Satisfyer

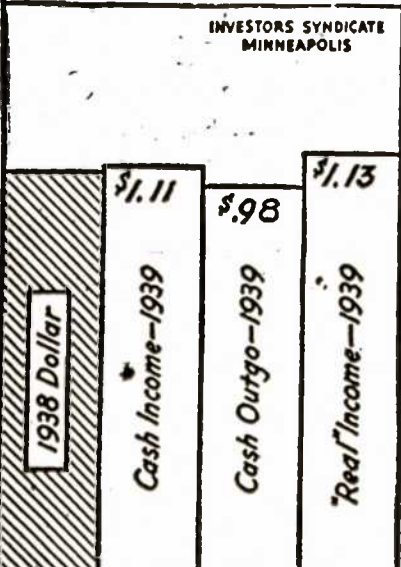
By Frances Lee Barton

"COMPANY" phones, "Be there for  
me," I become a hurry-up  
person. Not much time. An mighty  
fired. The cook-  
ing Goddess, list  
to me—grant an  
answer to my  
plea: What dish  
shall I serve to-  
night? "Tapio-  
ca Peach Delight!"

Tapioca Peach Delight  
1/2 cup quick-cooking tapioca; 1/2  
cup sugar; 1/2 teaspoon salt; 1 1/2  
cups fresh peach juice and water;  
1 egg yolk, slightly beaten; 6 halves  
fresh peaches, forced through sieve;  
1/2 teaspoon grated lemon rind; 1/2  
cup orange juice; 2 tablespoons  
lemon juice; 1 egg white.  
Combine tapioca, sugar, salt, and  
peach juice and water in saucepan  
and mix well. Bring mixture quickly  
to a full boil over direct heat, stir-  
ring constantly. Remove from fire.  
Mixture will be thin. (Do not over-  
cook.) Pour small amount of tapio-  
ca mixture over egg yolk, stirring vig-  
orously; add to remaining tapio-  
ca. Add peaches, lemon rind, and  
orange and lemon juice. Beat egg  
white until just stiff enough to hold  
shape. Fold tapioca mixture grad-  
ually into egg white. Chill, stirring  
occasionally—mixture thickens as  
it cools. Serves 8.

### American Income Rises 13 Cents; Living Costs Dip Two Cents in Year

### PURCHASING POWER JULY, 1939, Compared with JULY, 1938



THE above chart, showing how  
the average American fared in  
national income changes in the last  
twelve months, is based on the  
monthly consumers' study of In-  
vestors Syndicate of Minneapolis.  
Mr. and Mrs. Public in July had  
a "real income" of \$1.13, or an in-  
crease of 13 cents on the dollar from  
the same 1938 month. This  
"real income" is not a subtraction  
of cash income and expenditures,  
but an average relative of these  
figures designed to show how living  
costs affect adjusted income dollars.  
Cash income of Mr. and Mrs.  
Public in July was \$1.11 for every  
\$1 a year earlier. This gain of  
eleven cents on the dollar resulted  
from the following changes per dol-  
lar: wages up twenty-four cents and  
salaries nine cents; investment in-  
come was up three cents and other  
income was down seven cents on the  
dollar.  
Rents were unchanged in July  
as compared with the same 1938  
month. Food was down four cents  
on the dollar; clothing was off two  
cents; and miscellaneous items were  
down one cent.

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### SHEAR NONSENSE

Did you know that a man was  
recently arrested through a pho-  
tograph sent by radio across the  
Atlantic?

A man with a face resembling a  
wireless photograph of his face  
deserves to be arrested.

A little girl, attending church  
for the first time, was amazed to  
see all the people suddenly kneel,  
and asked her mother why they  
were doing it. "Hush," the moth-  
er replied, "they're going to say  
their prayers."

"What! With all their clothes  
on?"  
Employer: Um-um! So you  
want an increase in wages, do  
you? How did you get that eye?  
Office Boy: Please, sir—some-  
body called you a tightfisted old  
skinflint and naturally I rented  
it. (He got his increase).

A flapper answering her door-  
bell encountered a snappy young  
man with a worldly look and a  
sample case.

I represent the SoandSo Wool  
Company, he began. Would you  
be interested in coarse yarns?  
Of course, breathed the flapper  
hopefully. Tell me a couple.

A little girl came home from  
school and said: Daddy, my teach-  
er told us the world is round.  
That's right, dear, said the  
father.

Well, Daddy, if the world is  
round, why do people say they  
go the far corners of the earth?

Navy Officer: You can follow  
your regular trade in the Navy.  
Recruit: But I used to be a  
cowboy.  
Officer: So what? You can be a  
cook and ride the range in the  
galley.

Traveler: In Guatemala the  
driver who blows his horn the  
loudest has the right-of-way.  
Historian: In parts of Europe  
this is called diplomacy.

What are the ladies of the club  
discussing now?

A scheme to fix up the war  
debt.  
Do they wish to remit it?  
No, their idea is to take it out  
in gowns and hats.

Moliere was once asked why it  
was that in some countries a king  
was judged to be fit to govern  
when he was fourteen, but was  
not allowed to marry until he  
was eighteen.  
Moliere replied: Because it is  
more difficult to look after a wife  
than a kingdom.

Mother (at dinner): Peggy,  
darling, you should not rub your  
nose with your spoon.  
Peggy: Oh, Mother, ought I to  
have used a fork?

The same tornado that blew  
away my father's wagon dumped  
an automobile in the front yard.  
Huh, that's no tornado. That  
was a trade wind.

### THE TORCH

The God of the Great Endeavor  
gave me a torch to bear,  
I lifted it high above me in the  
dark and murky air—  
And straightway, with loud ho-  
sanannas, the crowd acclaimed its  
light.  
And followed me as I carried my  
torch through the starless night  
Till mad with the people's praises,  
and drunken with vanity,  
I forgot 'twas the torch that drew  
them, and fancied they follow-  
ed me.

But slowly my arm grew weary  
upholding the shining load,  
And my tired feet went stumbling  
over the hilly road,  
And I fell with the torch beneath  
me. In a moment the flame was  
out!  
Then lo! from the throng a strip-  
pling sprung forth with a mighty  
shout,  
Caught up the torch as it smolder-  
ed and lifted it high again,  
Till, fanned by the winds of  
heaven, it fired the souls of  
men!

And as I lay in the darkness the  
feet of the trampling crowd  
Passed over and far beyond me,  
its pean proclaimed aloud—  
While I learned, in the deepening  
shadows, this glorious verity—  
"Tis the torch the people fol-  
low, whoever the bearer be."  
By Elizabeth Furry

### Fire Prevention Week

Fire prevention is easier than  
extinguishing, so Fire Preven-  
tion Week, which will be observed  
throughout the nation Oct. 8-14,  
should appeal to everybody—men,  
women and children, as well as  
firemen.

Over ten thousand persons lose  
their lives in fires every year,  
and the property loss runs over  
\$300,000,000. The farm loss is  
estimated at about \$100,000,000.

Every year several school  
buildings burn down, usually with  
loss of life. Hence schools and  
colleges in many cases have fire  
drills, training the students to  
make orderly exit, and how to put  
out fires before they get under  
way. Everyone in a home should  
be told what to do in case of  
fire.

Nearly all fires in schools and  
homes are preventable. Fires do  
not originate without causes. The  
wise policy, therefore, is to  
eliminate causes.

Most home fires start in the  
basement, due to exposed rub-  
bish or defective heating appar-  
atus or chimneys. Rubbish should  
not be allowed to accumulate any-  
where from basement to attic.  
Always be sure the fires are safe  
before retiring at night or leaving  
the house.

Use only safety matches, and  
keep them where small children  
cannot get them.

Careless smokers cause untold  
loss. Do not smoke in the garage,  
the barn, the attic, or in bed.  
Never throw lighted butts from  
an auto.

Fires from gasoline in homes  
have increased fourfold in recent  
years. Gasoline is much too  
dangerous to have in the house,  
even in small quantities.

Electric irons cause many fires.  
Replace wires when frayed. Have  
an electrician do the wiring  
about the house. Never go away  
and leave an electric iron con-  
nected. Replace blown fuses with  
new ones.

Wooden shingles are the third  
greatest cause of home fires.  
Often blazing shingles are blown  
away and start other fires. Use  
only fire-resistant roofing.

Holiday hazards are increasing  
every year—at Christmas, Hal-  
loween, 4th of July, and at par-  
ties. Do not permit combustible  
decorations, lighted candles or  
fireworks.

Phone the fire brigade at once  
when fire breaks out; meanwhile  
use a fire extinguisher and check  
its spreading.

Fire Prevention Week is ob-  
served in order to draw every-  
body's attention to rules and  
safeguard that will help to save  
life and property all the year  
around.

### TRINITARIAN CHURCH

Sunday school at 10. At 11 the  
regular preaching service; sermon  
subject, "The Day of the East  
Wind." Sunday school at the  
Farms at 2:30. At 7, Senior En-  
deavor will be led by Robert Full-  
er. At 8, preaching service in the  
vestry.

Tuesday at 6:30, opening ses-  
sion of Brotherhood, following  
the supper an address by Philip  
Mangano entitled "European Sit-  
uation."

Wednesday at 3, annual meet-  
ing of WCTU at the home of Mrs.  
Lazelle.

Thursday at 7:30, weekly pray-  
er service at the vestry, followed  
by choir rehearsal.

From 11 to 12 o'clock each  
Sunday morning, is the time of  
greatest investment.

### CAR TROUBLES?



### Victoria Reopens

Next Sunday at 2 p. m. the  
Victoria Theatre which has been  
closed during the summer, will  
open the fall season. The theatre  
including stage has been thor-  
oughly renovated and the entire  
equipment put into condition.

The program for the opening on  
Sunday will consist of "Dark Vic-  
tory" in which Bette Davis, Hum-  
phrey Bogart and George Brent,  
are the featured players. The  
companion picture "Maise" fea-  
tures Ann Sothern and Robert  
Young, and for the children, one  
of the popular Walt Disney  
Mickey Mouse cartoons. Show  
starts at 2 o'clock and continues  
to 10:30. The Victoria is known  
throughout the county, as Green-  
field's family theatre, furnishing  
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4. WE CAN'T SEE ANY DRASTIC PERCENTAGE INCREASE IN FOOD STUFFS.
5. REMEMBER HOWEVER THAT PRICES AT THE GROWERS OUTLET ARE THE LOWEST.

### DELICACIES FOR THE FALL SEASON



By BETTY BARCLAY

Labor Day may mean your last  
picnic of the season. It may be a  
"parade" day in your home. It may  
be "company" day. No matter how  
you celebrate it, you will be inter-  
ested in the following recipes for  
unusual dishes that may be quickly  
prepared—some of them in the  
cool of the morning before the ex-  
citement of the day begins:

#### Club Fruit Plate (Serves 1)

In large section of a grill plate,  
place a banana, split lengthwise and  
dipped in orange juice to prevent  
discoloration. Top banana with 4  
orange slices.

In smaller sections of plate, place  
3 large cooked prunes, stuffed with  
cottage cheese, moistened with  
orange juice, several walnut halves  
and 3 or 4 dates.

Golden Pineapple Dressing  
1/2 cup sugar  
1 tablespoon cornstarch  
2 egg yolks  
1/2 cup canned unsweetened  
Hawaiian pineapple juice

2 tablespoons lemon juice  
1/4 cup butter  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1/4 cup whipping cream  
Combine sugar and cornstarch,  
add slightly beaten egg yolks. Stir  
in fruit juices and butter. Cook un-  
til thick and smooth over boiling  
water, stirring constantly. Remove  
at once, add salt and cool. When  
thoroughly chilled, fold into stiffly  
beaten cream. This dressing is de-  
licious served with fruit salad com-  
binations.

Yield: Approximately 1 1/4 pints  
dressing.  
Fluffy Chocolate Pudding  
2 squares unsweetened chocolate  
1 1/2 cups (1 can) sweetened con-  
densed milk  
1/2 cup water  
2 egg whites  
Melt chocolate in top of double  
boiler. Add sweetened condensed  
milk and stir over boiling water 5  
minutes until mixture thickens. Re-  
move from fire and add water. Let  
cool about 5 minutes. Fold in stiffly

beaten egg whites. Pile in sherbet  
glasses. Chill. Serves 6.

Pear Tapioca  
4 tablespoons quick-cooking tap-  
ioca  
1/2 cup sugar  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon ginger  
2 cups canned pear juice and water  
6 halves canned pears, cut in halves  
4 maraschino cherries, cut in  
eighths

1/2 cup maraschino cherry juice  
2 tablespoons lemon juice  
Combine quick-cooking tapioca,  
sugar, salt, ginger, and pear juice  
and water in saucepan and mix  
well. Bring mixture quickly to a  
full boil over direct heat, stirring  
constantly. Remove from fire. (Mix-  
ture will be thin. Do not overcook.)  
Add pears, cherries, cherry juice,  
and lemon juice. Cool, stirring oc-  
casionaly—mixture thickens as it  
cools. Chill. Serve with cream, if  
desired. Serves 8.

Here's an ideal thirst quencher  
for the Labor Day party. Everyone  
can enjoy extra cups without losing  
sleep later because the decaffeinated  
coffee has ninety-seven percent of  
the caffeine removed.

Iced Coffee  
(Percolator Method)  
Use 1 1/2 heaping tablespoons  
ground decaffeinated coffee for each  
cup (1/2 pint) of water. Pour cold  
water into pot of percolator. Set  
percolator basket in pot and put  
coffee in it. Cover. Let percolate  
slowly and gently 10 to 15 minutes.  
(To obtain full strength of de-  
caffeinated coffee, percolate 15 to 20  
minutes.) Pour coffee over cracked  
ice.

Iced coffee may be made by any  
other method, i.e., steeped, drip, or  
boiled, using the same proportions  
of coffee and water. Extra-strength  
coffee is necessary on account of  
the melting ice. Always use freshly  
made coffee. Iced coffee made from  
left-over cold coffee is most unsat-  
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## TOWN TOPICS

Mrs. Clarence Steadler and her daughter, who are now residing in Dalton, spent a few days here this week with friends.

Harry L. Gingras was called to his home in Ashland, N. H. last week end, owing to the death of his father, George Gingras, for over 40 years connected with the Ashland Knitting Co. He is survived by his wife, five sons and two daughters. The funeral was held last Monday.

A son, Edward Childs, was born to Rev. and Mrs. Edward C. Morgan of Huntington, Ct. Wednesday, Sept. 13. The child is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Morgan of this town.

In Probate court last week the will was allowed of the late Clara A. Ward of this town with Henry W. Russell as exr. accounts were allowed on the estate of the late Eber E. Thornton of this town and a license was granted for sale of real estate of the late Lilla J. Warner, also of this town.

The high wind of last Sunday afternoon which was very severe in the Berkshires was felt here but did very little damage to trees or wires.

The local Fish and Game club which now numbers nearly a 150 members held a regular meeting at the town hall Monday evening with President James E. Dresser presiding. Only regular business was transacted which included preparations for a clam bake.

The annual meeting of the Northfield Womens Christian Temperance Union will be held next Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lawrence Lazelle on Glenwood avenue. A full attendance of members is desired.

Miss Mabel Merriman of New York and Miss Ann Merriman of Port Chester, N. Y. who have spent the summer here have returned to their homes. They are sisters of Mrs. Frank Montague.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross L. Spencer are enjoying a short vacation and motor trip this week end.

David Hopkins, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Hopkins is visiting his mother here. He is accompanied by his brother-in-law, Edward Preisser, who married his sister.

Rev. Elliott W. Brown of this town was the preacher at the Metcalf Memorial chapel service in Warwick last Sunday morning.

Miss Betty Kehl of Parker avenue left last week to enter Simmons college in Boston and also the Deaconess hospital for a nurses training course.

The Unitarian Alliance postponed its meeting for Thursday to next Thursday, Sept. 21 at the home of Mrs. J. V. McNeil on Maple street.

Ernest Bolton, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Bolton left yesterday to enter Syracuse university, where he will take the course in mechanical engineering.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Lyman of New Haven, formerly of Northfield, with their infant daughter were last weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Field.

Seth Field of Gloversville, N. Y. who now manages a number of movie theatres, visited at his home here this week.

The Editor regrets that through an error some subscribers failed to receive their copy of the Press last week on time. If any others have failed to receive their copy please advise and the issue will be sent.

Miss Harriet E. Atkinson, formerly of this town, who has been engaged as a church worker with the Front Street church in Burlington, N. C. is now a member of the faculty of the music department of the Providence Bible institute in Providence, R. I. She will also be in charge of the music of a neighboring church. Her address will be 100 State St., Providence, R. I.

Friends and neighbors are anxious for some word from Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Shaw of Main street, who left a month or so ago to visit relatives in Coventry, England and who had intended to return early in September for a stay here before going to their residence in Philadelphia.

Harmony Lodge of Masons will hold a regular communication on the evening of Wednesday, Sept. 27 at 7:30 o'clock.

Rev. and Mrs. C. O. Dunham and family of Grafton, Vt. are spending a week at their cottage in the Highlands.

### DELAND'S MUSIC STORE

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The Misses Elsie and Beulah Scott, of the seminary faculty were registered at the Beekman Tower hotel in New York City while visiting the Worlds Fair.

Miss Sally Dykes of Millers Falls, a pupil of Leon Dunnell, who has frequently appeared in programs in this town has been awarded a \$400 scholarship in the Sherwood Music school of Chicago and has left to enter at this term.

Dr. and Mrs. T. T. Brown, returned to their home here after their Canadian trailer trip last weekend and are leaving soon for a visit to the Fair, then with friends in Maryland, after which they will go to Florida to their home in Orlando for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Frary of Highland avenue, have returned from their summer vacation spent at their cottage at Richmond, Vt.

Miss Harriet Weaver, who has spent the summer at the residence of Mrs. Cornell on the Winchester road, returned to her home in Elmhurst, L. I. yesterday.

Mrs. J. E. Orr and her daughter, Mildred, have left their home here, where they have spent the summer. Mrs. Orr to New York and Miss Orr to her teaching in the south.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wilder of lower Main street are spending a vacation at North Truro on the Cape.

Philip Wood has located permanently in California and he has secured a good position at Porterville.

The Alliance of the Unitarian church which had accepted to be the guests of the Warwick Alliance on Friday, Oct. 6 are notified that the date is now postponed, until later, which will be announced.

Mrs. Elsie Spaulding of Cambridge is a guest of Mrs. C. M. Cooper, of Pine Tree cottage on Rustic Ridge during the final week of her stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ropes and family have closed their summer cottage here and left for their home in Coral Gables for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Ohlandt of Bayside, L. I. have closed Rose cottage after their summer sojourn and returned home.

Mrs. Edna B. H. Jenkins who has spent the summer at her home on Cliff road will leave next week for a stay with relatives at Bronxville, N. Y. before returning to her home in Jackson Heights, N. Y.

Green Mountain Junior college of Poughkeepsie, N. Y. opened its 1939-40 school year on Monday with its annual Freshman Week. Registered among the 171 new students are Lucile Bolton of Northfield, and Lois Pyppe of Mt. Hermon.

Miss Ann Fisher, daughter of Selectman and Mrs. Herman Fisher will return to her studies at Colby college next week. Their daughter, Eva, will attend the Michigan State college for a course in home economics.

Miss Harlene Carne, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. W. Stanley Carne who graduated from Wilson college last June, will do work in the training course at the Clark school for the deaf at Northampton this year. Their daughter Margaret and son Lloyd will leave town today to enter Wheaton college.

Miss Virginia Powell will return to Mt. Holyoke college next week to continue her studies there.

Iron pipe is being delivered along North Lane to provide for an extension of the mains of the East Northfield Water company.

Mrs. Louise Barnes LaBella has closed her house on Rustic Ridge and returned to her home in Springfield. Last week she had as her guests, Mrs. Winifred Lyman and daughter Barbara of Springfield.

A magazine writer says women control seventy per cent of family incomes.

This statement puzzled us for a moment until suddenly it occurred to us that the remaining thirty per cent is accounted for by taxes.

Office Caller: Where are you going in such a hurry?

Boss: Sh! I'm leaving. I've just discharged my secretary by the dictaphone.

What great battle was fought in Massachusetts?

The battle of lexicons.

Fond Mother: Well, Johnny, what did the music teacher think of your rendering of the Morning, Noon, and Night Overture?

Johnny: After I'd played a few bars he told me to call it a day!

### Interesting Trip

By Miss Rogers

Northfield friends may be interested to know of a trip Virginia Rogers, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Frary, recently took, with a group of young people from the Putney school. They sailed July 1 on the Volendam landing in England, visiting there for a few days, then by steamer to Stockholm, Sweden, to Copenhagen, Denmark, in both of which countries they were charmed with the beauty of the countryside and city life. The highlight of the trip, however, was a trip through Finland, Lapland and around the North Cape into Norway. They bought kayaks in Helsinki and voyaged in them among the islands in the Baltic. Then they went through the Finnish lakes making many portages and also by bus, trains and steamers. They shot some rapids in the cold rivers in Lapland, where few people from America have ever been, far above the arctic circle. Food was sometimes hard to obtain and often it was just bread and cheese. Sometimes they stopped at hostel inns, when available, but often just crawled into their sleeping bags and slept on the ground. Then they went by steamer around the North Cape to Trondjem, Norway. Then through the beautiful Norwegian fjords and overland among the great mountains of the Jotunheim to Bergen, whence they sailed Sept. 1 on the Bergensfjord. They were within 200 miles of the Athena's sinking. If they had sailed a few hours later they would have been one of the rescue ships. Six young Germans joined them in Finland and they said they had never heard of concentration camps.

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A newly revised correspondence course in commercial floriculture is now being offered by the Mass. State College extension service. The course is designed for persons who are unable to take resident courses at the college, but who wish to learn about the latest practices in raising flowers for the market. Mr. Clark Thayer, head of the department points out that it will be of great benefit to those already engaged in floricultural work.

The material is presented in the form of a reading course with questions based on text books and practical experience. Flower experts at the college read and correct papers, answering questions and making suggestions for the "students by mail."

Mr. Thayer says that the course alone cannot develop a novice into a skilled grower. On the other hand, it will be of value in broadening and supporting practical experience.

In twenty-two lessons, the course covers the construction, heating and management of greenhouses, disease and pest control problems, the business management matters that face the florist, the culture of different varieties of flowers, and marketing practices.

A record is kept of each student's grades, and a certificate awarded for satisfactory completion of the assigned work. Students may enroll at any time during the year and lessons are mailed weekly or all at once, as the student desires.

In addition to the textbooks recommended in the course, various publications of the Massachusetts State College extension service and the U. S. Department of Agriculture prove helpful to the student florist.

Clerk (in men's clothing store): I assume you are looking for something in men's clothing?

Lady: I certainly am. Have you seen my husband around here?

Lady: Poor man! And are you married?

Beggar: D'y'e think, ma'am, I'd be relyin' on total strangers for support if I had a wife?

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### EDITORIAL

The Editor appreciates the reader interest in the editorial in last week's Press on neutrality. There is a realization more and more that our neutrality position is wrong and this is confirmed locally by the many expressions that have come to the Editor. In reading the Christian Science Monitor the other evening of the date of Sept. 6 the following editorial was noted and its excellence in a statement of position, with which the Editor so well agrees, merits our placing it before our readers.

"President Roosevelt's two proclamations governing American relations with belligerents in the war well illustrate the difference between traditional neutrality and the new effort to legislate America into a hermit position.

The first proclamation, based on long established practices of international law, put into effect laws designed to prevent belligerents from using American territory for warlike purposes or the enlistment of citizens in the armies of belligerents.

The second put into operation an embargo against the export of arms and "instruments of war" to belligerents under the so-called Neutrality Act of 1937. This statute developed out of a widespread belief that trade involved the United States in the World War. Probably there was also behind it a hope that by refusing arms the United States would have no part in the use to which they were put. But the big purpose was to stay out of war. That is not necessarily the same thing as neutrality if neutrality means impartiality. For the effect of this legislation has been anything but neutral. In the present case it aids aggression and dictatorship by refusing the arms which otherwise would go to France and Britain. In fairness we should recognize that to repeal the embargo would also be one-sided since it would aid France and Britain.

Neutrality in this sense is impossible; either keeping or repealing the embargo will aid one side or the other. From this standpoint, then, the choice is between methods. Repeal would allow well established practice and the fortunes of war to govern. This newspaper has repeatedly pointed out the weakness of the arms embargo as a preventive of possible entanglements. Even if it be assumed that war trade is the main road to war, this measure does not block the road. For in the World War three-fourths of American war trade was in supplies which do not come under the present embargo. Even on that assumption, it merely narrows the road. It does not even satisfy the consciences of those who wish not to furnish any munitions of war; for under this embargo even some instruments of war may be supplied in "knocked-down" form.

Moreover, this attempt to legislate a safety—which to many may now appear rather shortsighted if not selfish—does not even do that. For it leaves untouched all the dangers of American ships carrying supplies into war zones. If Americans wish to go into this war, it would be far better to do so in defense of ideals and interests which after calm consideration they find are involved than to enter excitedly over the "incident" involving a ship carrying supplies. For that reason the cash-and-carry plan would be far better than the present legislation.

This newspaper supported the President and Secretary Hull in warning that Congress should not leave America with a so-called

"neutrality" which is better described as "negativity." And before hostilities began we called for a special session to repeal the present legislation. Even those who wish to take no sides must recognize that the embargo does take sides, and against the nations who are upholding American ideals and interests. Even from their standpoint repeal would be preferable. And if it is safety which is desired, surely cash-and-carry is better."

### Know Massachusetts Compiled by State Planning Board

Do you know that Massachusetts ranks as one of the foremost states in production of war essentials, producing 33 per cent of the nation's woolen goods, 23 per cent of the leather goods, 10 per cent of the cotton goods, 10 per cent of the rubber goods, 8 per cent of the electrical machinery, 8 per cent of the machine tools, 16 per cent of the firearms, and a large part of the Government's shipbuilding and ordnance manufacture. . . . Boston is the nearest large United States port between Europe and the interior of Canada and the United States. . . . Lawrence leads all other cities of the world in the production of woollens and worsted cloth. . . . The whaling ship, "Charles W. Morgan", which is now embedded in the sand and protected by a cement wall on the Colonel Green estate in New Bedford, is said to have sailed more miles and taken more whales than any other of its kind. . . . In 1809 Denis Arms, from whom the Arms Mfg. Co. takes its name, began the manufacture of pocket-books and purses in South Deerfield and is believed to have been the pioneer maker of such products in the United States. . . . Census figures show Massachusetts as having approximately 260 establishments engaged in printing and publishing (newspapers and periodicals), with an average of 19 wage earners per establishment. . . . Maps have been completed by the State Planning board showing existing land use and cover, location of roads and buildings, soil classification, topography and waterways in 252 cities and towns throughout the Commonwealth.

### The Back Yard Gardener

Did someone say vacation? Another week of my vacation and I would have been in the hospital. Between catching up on garden work, shingling the garage, and similar items I found that the old bones and joints were not what they used to be.

According to Mr. Webster a vacation is "an intermission of procedure; a stated interval in a round of duties or employment as for rest and recreation, especially one of considerable length; a holiday." Rest—well, I should say not. Recreation—yes, in a way it was recreation, especially the few days when Mum was at the World's Fair. She left on a Monday morning with some friends and returned late Friday night. We kids, as Jean Louise termed it, kept house. And I must say after those five days

that I'm willing to give Mum considerable credit in being able to keep her sweet disposition day in and day out.

Any husband who wants recreation should try to keep three two-legged hyenas fed, washed, dressed, and satisfied for five days. Of course it really wasn't so bad as it sounds. The thing that bothered me most was combing the girls' hair. Jean Louise, with her bobbed hair wasn't so bad, but those long curls of Edith Ann's got my dander up.

I got out a copy of "The Young Housekeeper's Friend," written by the way in 1845 at Andover, Mass. I thought maybe that would give me some old time and well tried ideas, but it was mostly on how to handle household affairs other than children.

For example, one arrangement suggested was to wash on Monday. (Of course, Mum had done that before she left.) Tuesday, bake and do things necessarily omitted. (Lots of things were necessarily omitted that week, I might add.) Iron on Wednesday. (Mum had done that.) Thursday do nothing extra. Friday sweep and clean. Saturday bake, distribute clean bed linen, and see that everything is in readiness for the Sabbath. (To tell the honest truth, I followed the Thursday suggestion throughout the whole week.)

As the book said, "Good temper, decision, and reasonable requisition will secure the confidence and respect of your domestics. (I substituted children for domestics) while fretfulness, lack of good judgment, and unreasonable demands will alienate them from you and involve you in endless perplexities."

Each morning wasn't too difficult. We got up as leisurely as possible, managed to have breakfast without any casualties, spent the morning in one way or another, particularly work around the garden and the yard where I could keep eye on Bobby who occasionally has the wanderlust. Every afternoon we managed to think of some trip that required our attention.

Monday evening we had a picnic at the Moaklers' in Pelham; Tuesday evening we had a picnic supper with Mrs. Jack under the apple tree in the back yard; Wednesday evening we blew ourselves and went to the hotel for dinner; Thursday evening we had dinner at home but went to the College Drug Store for dessert; and Friday night, well, I've forgotten exactly what we did do.

We followed the rule in the book which said, "A calm and quiet way of meeting all sorts of vicissitudes and of doing the work of each day, be it more or less, equalizes the pressure of care and prevents its becoming oppressive."

As proof that I was quite successful I submit this incident. Jean Louise demanded one day that we have bacon and scrambled eggs for lunch. I agreed, and as she was munching greedily on her slabs of fried pig, she came out with this comment. "You cook bacon better than. . ." then she hesitated and after a moment's thought finished—"You cook bacon good."

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she was planning on saying was that my cooking was as good if not better than Mum's, which of course is saying considerable, and which relieved the situation considerably. In fact, under such praise, I think I'd be willing to try the idea for another five days. One thing which helps in such a situation is the weather. When I got back to the office I found that the weather during August was considerably warmer than usual. In fact, it was the highest for August in Amherst since 1837. The mean, as the weatherman says, was 73.3, while the normal mean temperature is 68.7, and there were 287 hours of bright sunshine as compared with 237 for normal. So you see we had perfect weather for my vacation.

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